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Title: Need to set a Radio Station in Vizianagaram district, Andhra Pradesh.

SHRIMATI BOTCHA JHANSI LAKSHMI (VIZIANAGARAM): Thank you hon. Deputy-Speaker, Sir. It is humbly submitted that Vizianagaram district, Andhra Pradesh – despite its rich historical, cultural, archaeological and geographical background – experiences a setback in various fields and is listed as one of the most backward districts in the country. Various flagship schemes initiated by the Central Government and the State Government are in an accelerated pace and there is a need to make the people in the area aware of the benefits of these schemes. Majority of the tribal populace live in hilly regions and many more in surrounding villages and hamlets. The coastal areas with fishermen community need timely information. The people in Vizianagaram district headquarters too need to be informed and enlightened on different dimensions of the district development. Many cultural troupes and artists deserve exposure and encouragement.

To fulfil the above noble tasks, establishment of an AIR-FM station is quite necessary. The people of Vizianagaram have been dreaming of such a facility for the past many years. The district administration is ready to allot necessary site for construction of FM station.

Sir, I request the Government, through you, to kindly initiate necessary steps to sanction one AIR-FM station at Vizianagaram immediately to fulfil the aspirations of the people of our district. Thank you very much.